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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 9, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

An extension of two months for time of reply is hereby requested.